

Amendments to the Abstract:

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

Compositions and methods are provided for the treatment or prevention of ~~demyelinating~~ autoimmune disease. Therapeutic doses ~~are administered of a combination of therapeutic ordered peptides or~~ one or more modified therapeutic ordered peptide(s) comprising amino acids representing a consensus sequence of a protein identified as a target of the autoimmune T and B cell response are described. Of particular interest are therapeutic ordered peptides of the ~~target proteins~~ autoantigens in multiple sclerosis, for example the myelin proteins MBP, MOG, PLP, MAG and cyclic nucleotide phosphodiesterase. The therapeutic ordered peptide may ~~consist only of the ordered repeats, or~~ may be extended at either termini by the addition of other D- or L-amino acid residues.; ~~For therapy, the~~ The therapeutic ordered peptides may be administered topically or parenterally, by injection at a particular site, including subcutaneously, intraperitoneally, intravascularly, or the like or transdermally, as by electrotransport. ~~The subject methods are used for prophylactic or therapeutic purposes.~~ The compositions of the invention may also contain other therapeutically active agents, ~~immunomodulators, immunosuppressants, ss-interferon, steroids, statins etc.~~